equivalent so far in India) and a three Frequency Electromagnetic System with attendant Four Beem Doppler Navigation equipment and a highly sophisticated Digital/Analog data acquisition system besides other ancilliary instrumentation facility. However, the Time Domain input system (airborne) of NGRI will be used advantageously as a complementary source of data. GSI has also approved a project of flights by NGRI using the EM system, on NGRI obtaining requisite clearance, for proving their system.

Import of cows from Germany

2839. SHRI ALADI ARUNA *alias* V. ARUNACHALAM:

SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA:

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of well breed cows received from Germany under Dairy Aid Programme; and

(b) how many of those were found dead on arrival alongwith the loss suffered by the NDDB?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) The Indian Dairy Corporation/National Dairy Development Board received 460 heifers and 50 bulls from 23rd January, 1987 to 15th February, 1987 from West Germany under Indo-Federal Republic of Germany bilateral programme.

(b) 53 animals died abroad the aircrafts belonging to MISR Overseas Corporation taken by Air India on wetlease charter, which arrived in India from 23rd Jan. to 2nd Feb. 87. Since all animals are insured for CIF value for transit and 30 days stay in India, the German supplier has agreed to replace all dead animals at their cost.

Single Transport Authority in Metropolitan cities

2840. SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering a proposal to set up a single Transport Authority in the Metropolitan cities to coordinate the activities of the public transport systems;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) what is the progress of the intra urban rapid mass transit system; and

(d) whether any rapid mass transit system is proposed for the twin cities of Hyderabad and Secunderabad in Andhra Pradesh?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) and (b) A Working Group has been constituted to consider the proposal to set up a Single Transport Authority in the metropolitan cities to coordinate the activities of the public transport systems. Its report is awaited.

(c) A Task Force has been set up to advise and to evaluate different modes of mass rapid transit system for urban transport in Delhi and to recommend one most suited to meet the growing needs of Delhi. Its report is awaited.

(d) There is no such proposal.

Soviet assistance to Tehri Dam

2841. SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a substantial portion of the 300 million rouble Soviet assistance to India would go for the construction of Tehri Dam; and

(b) if so, the reasons for going slow with the construction of the Tehri dam?